(b) whether it is also a fact that the Ministry of Urban Development had allotted a building to the Ministry in lieu of the hired one, if so, when it was allotted;

(c) by when the Ministry of Science and Technology propose to shift its office in the building provided by the Ministry of Urban Development to avoid the additional expenditure; and

(d) the monthly rent being paid by the Ministry to the said trust?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Yes. Sir. The building was allotted by Ministry of Urban Development on 4-7-1991. The shifting will be completed in 3-4 months.

(d) The department is paying a rent of Rs. 14.000/- per month to the Bhuvalaka Jan Kalyan Trust for the portion hired directly by the department.

Microwave linkage between Ahmedabad and Delhi

1684. SHRI CHHOTUBHAI PATEL: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 547 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 1st January. 1991 and state:

(a) whether Gujarat Government has made proposal for microwave linkage between Ahmedabad and Delhi Doordarshan; and

(b) if so, by when it would be possible to provide the same?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The establishment of a dedicated TV bearing microwave circuit between Doordarshan Kendras at Ahmedabad and Delhi depends on availability of resources and relative priorities.

Officers on Deputation from various States with the Central Secretariat

1685. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE:
SHRI DINESHBHAI TRIVEDI:
SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:
SHRI SOMPAL:
SHRIMATI MIRA DAS:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise figures of Central Department Reserve and the figures of officers actually on deputation in each State on 1st July, 1991;

(b) what is the procedure adopted by the Central Government for placement of officers on deputation from various States to the Central Secretariat;

(c) whether the procedure effective is ensuring equitable representation from all the States; and

(d) if not, what Government propose to do to rectify this situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) The State-wise figures of Central Deputation Reserve and the figures of the officers from the three All India Services viz., the Indian Administrative Service, the Indian Police Service and the Indian Forest Service actually on deputation at the Centre as on July 1, 1991 may be seen at the Annexure. (*See* Appendix CLX, Annexure No. 65).

(b) A majority of officers from the Indian Police Service and the Indian Forest Service come on Central Deputation on non-secretariat posts like the posts in the Central Police Organisations and the Office of the IG of Forests. However, the names of IPS and IFS officers are also offered for

placement in the Central Secretariat by their Controlling Ministries *viz.* the Ministry of Home Affairs & the Ministry of Environment and Forest respectively.

The procedure adopted by the Government for placement of the IAS officers on deputation from various States to the posts in the Central Secretariat is as follows:

The State Governments are requested every year to offer the names of officers whom they would like to offer for deputation to the Government of India. The names suggested by the State Governments are scrutinised with reference to the eligibility conditions and requirements of officers in the Government of India. The need for having an equitable representation for various IAS cadres in the Government of India is also kept in view, while retaining officers on offer list. The names of the officers retained on offer list are suggested by the Civil Services Board to the Administrative Ministry in a panel of 3 names against each vacancy. The officer selected by the Administrative Ministry is appointed to the post with the approval of the Competent Authority.

(c) Each State cadre of an All India Service has been allotted a Central Deputation Reserve which is proportional to the total size of the State Cadre. Every effort is made to ensure an equitable utilisation of the Central Deputation Reserve by different cadres while selecting officers for posts in the Government of India. However, it is difficult to bring about a completely identical utilisation of Central Deputation Reserve by all the cadres. Some of the reasons for this situation are as follows:

(i) The officers from some of the cadres are not too keen to come to Delhi at senior management levels since the amenities available in their State capitals are quite attractive.

(ii) Some cadres like Sikkim, Nagaland etc. which have been constituted relatively later. do not have sufficient number of senior officers who could be offered for Central Deputation at Joint Secretary and higher levels.

(d) In view of the reasons cited above, it is difficult to bring about a mathemetical parity in the utilisation of Central Deputation Reserves by the different cadres. However. efforts to bring about an equitable utilisation are made by regulating the number of officers retained on offer list so as to ensure that more officers from the under represented States are selected for posts in the Government of India.

Legal Notices to Kanpur and Jhansi Cantonment Boards

1686. PROF. SOURENDRA BHATTACHARJEE: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to refer to answer to the Unstarred Question 728 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 5th March, 1991 and state:

(a) whether legal notices have been received by Jhansi and Kanpur Cantonment Boards demanding services pursuant to the provisions of Cantonment Act;

(b) whether the legal notices have also pointed out to the vesting of the properties in the Cantonment Boards on the expiry of lease period and have also warned the Boards not to cause any transfer of those premises;

(c) whether the Boards have not been acting in such matters as per the existing laws as provided by Cantonment Act of 1924; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) No, Sir.